# IOWA DENTAL BOARD PENDING RULE MAKING

## **Public Hearings**

**Date:** Wednesday, June 5, 2013

**Location:** Iowa Dental Board, 400 SW 8th Street, Suite D, Des Moines, Iowa

**Comment Deadline:** Wednesday, June 5, 2013 @ 11:59 p.m.

**How to submit comments:** Comments can be submitted in person at the public hearing, by mail or

by email.

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### **Hearings Schedule:**

#### 2:00 p.m. **Notice ARC 0724C**

Proposed amendments to *Chapter 13, "Special Licenses,"* and *Chapter 15, "Fees"* Date published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin: May 1, 2013

Summary of proposed changes:

The proposed amendments rescind the application fee for a temporary permit for volunteer services and reduce the amount of information required to apply for a permit for volunteer services. These proposed amendments are in response to a petition for rule making filed by the Iowa Dental Association Foundation on October 23, 2012. The petitioner stated that the current application requirements make it more difficult to recruit out-of-state dentists to participate in the Foundation's annual Iowa Mission of Mercy (IMOM) event which provides free dental services to low-income Iowans. The petitioner reported that in 2012 volunteer dentists and dental hygienists provided dental treatment at no cost to more than 1,389 low-income Iowans, with an estimated value of more than \$923,000.

#### 3:00 p.m. **Notice ARC 0723C**

Proposed amendments to *Chapter 20, "Dental Assistants"*Date published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin: May 1, 2013

Summary of proposed change:

The proposed amendment modifies the requirements for training in expanded functions if an applicant is from a state that does not require dental assistants to be registered. Registration is not required in all states, and currently the Board's rule requires Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) certification or a minimum of two years of clinical experience as a registered dental assistant. Dental assistants who have more than two years of clinical experience but were not registered in another state must either wait two years after becoming registered in Iowa or another state or submit a rule waiver for approval to start expanded function training sooner. The proposed amendment would permit an applicant with at least two years of dental assisting experience in a state where registration is not required to be eligible for expanded function training.